## A Bookman's Day Book

By Burton Rascoe

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O PARAPHRASE the Athenian,
I am a bit fed up with hearing
Cleon called a good sportsman.
To-day he admits having written an unjust and contemptue dismissing Ben Hecht's "Gar-SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

Read the October Bookman" to year. An excellent number. It contains, among other things, a savage but superbly written anonymous article on Mrs. Frances Hogdson Burnett: an interesting London Letter in which Frank Swinnerton relates an encounter with our own John V. A. Wesver and, I am afraid, slyly, very slyly, kids John a little; a very founny panning of Mrs. Asquith's "My Impressions of America," by Robert C. Benchley; a valuable and informative new Home Reading department, giving short biographies, bibliographies and criticisms of contexporary American writers and an excallent little sketch by Hugh Walpoie. Talking with my wife about Benchley as a humorist and as a man who permits himself the luxury of principles and has the good taste to stick to them, I discovered she had never read "The Natural History of the Newt" in Benchley's "Of All Things" and I forthwith read it aloud to her, much to her amusement. Read most of the poems in John Hall Wheelock's new volume, "The Black Pasther," and I was so deeply moved".

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of us know!) who sign for the old days a startling opportunity to recall what those days were and to decide whether they would have them back if they could.

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